BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE THE MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN FOR STAR STONE QUARRIES, INC.'S

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE NO. M/003/026

ROSEBUD QUARRY, BOX ELDER COUNTY, UTAH

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, SLBM, BOX ELDER COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve Star Stone Quarries, Inc.'s Mining and Reclamation Plan for the Rosebud Quarry. Mining activities will affect the following area: SW1/4 NW1/4 and the SE1/4 SW1/4 of Section 14, Township 10 North, Range 16 West, SLBM, Box Elder County, Utah.

Star Stone Quarries, Inc. has submitted a permit application to expand their existing small mining operation to a large mining status. The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 9.5 acres of federal land.

During Operations:

Salvageable soil over quarry and waste dump areas will be scraped from the surface using a D8 dozer or excavator bucket and piled up prior to mining. A hydraulic excavator is used to extract the stone from the quarry and distributed to workers on the quarry dump and pad to process. Stone is split by hand to uniform size and stacked on pallets for shipping. Unusable material is placed on the waste dumps. Quarry cuts will be approximately ten feet deep. Equipment used includes a D-8 bulldozer, hydraulic excavator, two-yard front end loader, and two dump trucks. A 500 gallon fuel tank is located on site within a secondary containment structure.

After Operations:

Excluding 0.2 acres of pre-existing access road, all disturbed areas will be reclaimed. Excess (waste rock) materials will be used to backfill quarry pit areas so that they are free-draining. The area will be regraded to approximate original contours (slopes of 3 horizontal to 1

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Tentative Approval for Star Stone Quarries, Inc.'s Rosebud Quarry project to be sent via facsimile, electronic mail, or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, the ___7th____ day of July, 2000 to:

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